



General Assembly

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LCO No. 4134



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:  
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE JOINT PRACTICE OF PHYSICIAN AND PSYCHOLOGISTS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 33-182a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

3 As used in this chapter:

4 (1) "Professional service" means any type of service to the public  
5 that requires that members of a profession rendering such service  
6 obtain a license or other legal authorization as a condition precedent to  
7 the rendition thereof, limited to the professional services rendered by  
8 dentists, natureopaths, chiropractors, physicians and surgeons,  
9 physician assistants, doctors of dentistry, physical therapists,  
10 occupational therapists, podiatrists, optometrists, nurses,  
11 nurse-midwives, veterinarians, pharmacists, architects, professional  
12 engineers, or jointly by architects and professional engineers,  
13 landscape architects, real estate brokers, insurance producers, certified  
14 public accountants and public accountants, land surveyors,

15 psychologists, attorneys-at-law, licensed marital and family therapists,  
16 licensed professional counselors and licensed clinical social workers.

17 (2) "Professional corporation" means (A) a corporation [which] that  
18 is organized under this chapter for the sole and specific purpose of  
19 rendering professional service and [which] that has as its shareholders  
20 only individuals who themselves are licensed or otherwise legally  
21 authorized to render the same professional service as the corporation,  
22 (B) a corporation [which] that is organized under this chapter for the  
23 sole and specific purpose of rendering professional services rendered  
24 by members of two or more of the following professions: Psychology,  
25 marital and family therapy, social work, nursing, professional  
26 counseling and psychiatry and that has as its shareholders only  
27 individuals who themselves are licensed or otherwise legally  
28 authorized to render one of the professional services for which the  
29 corporation was specifically incorporated, (C) a corporation [which]  
30 that is organized under this chapter for the sole and specific purpose of  
31 rendering professional services by physicians specializing in  
32 ophthalmology and optometrists and that has as its shareholders only  
33 individuals who themselves are licensed or otherwise legally  
34 authorized to render one of the professional services for which the  
35 corporation was specifically incorporated, (D) a corporation [which]  
36 that is organized under this chapter for the sole and specific purpose of  
37 rendering professional services by (i) physicians, and (ii) physician  
38 assistants or advanced practice registered nurses, or both, and that has  
39 as its shareholders only individuals who themselves are licensed or  
40 otherwise legally authorized to render one of the professional services  
41 for which the corporation was specifically incorporated, [or] (E) a  
42 corporation [which] that is organized under this chapter for the sole  
43 and specific purpose of rendering professional services by physicians  
44 and chiropractors and that has as its shareholders only individuals  
45 who themselves are licensed or otherwise legally authorized to render  
46 one of the professional services for which the corporation was  
47 specifically incorporated; or (F) a corporation that is organized under

48 this chapter for the sole and specific purpose of rendering professional  
49 services by physicians and psychologists and that has as its  
50 shareholders only individuals who themselves are licensed or  
51 otherwise legally authorized to render one of the professional services  
52 for which the corporation was specifically incorporated.

53 (3) "Shareholder" means the holder of any shares of the capital stock  
54 of a professional corporation. The shareholders of a professional  
55 corporation may be designated as "members" in its certificate of  
56 incorporation, bylaws and other corporate documents and may be  
57 referred to, for all purposes, as "members", whether or not so  
58 designated; and the term "shareholder" or "shareholders", when used  
59 in the general statutes in reference to the shareholders of a professional  
60 corporation, shall include such "members".

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	October 1, 2013	33-182a
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To redefine "professional corporation" to include corporations that are organized for the purpose of rendering professional services by physicians and psychologists.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*